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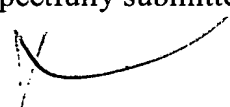
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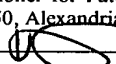
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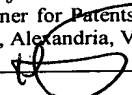


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, mailed December 10, 2007, entry of the following amendments and remarks respectfully are requested.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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